

<b>NEW NORFOLK St Paul's, Burnett Street NN</b>		
Preacher	23rd August 9.30 am <b>Bev Geard</b>	30th August 10am <b>CLUSTER SERVICE</b> at <b>New Norfolk</b>
Reader	Max	
<b>CLAREMONT 36 Wyndham Rd., Claremont</b>		
Preacher	23rd August 9.30am <b>Rev Jeff Gray</b>	30th August <b>10am</b>
Readers	Phil	
Flowers / Tea	Olive	<b>CLUSTER SERVICE</b> at <b>New Norfolk</b>
Stewards	Elaine & Jill	
<b>GLENORCHY 446 Main Road, Glenorchy</b>		
Preacher	23rd August 11.00 am <b>Rev Jeff Gray</b>	30th August <b>10am</b>
Worship Coord. Vestry. Prayer	Gary	
Reader/s	Jo	<b>CLUSTER SERVICE</b>
Prayers of People	Graeme	
Stewards	Kevin & Anthony	at
Morning Tea	Self-serve	<b>New Norfolk</b>
Flowers/ Cleaning Lawns	Beryl Anthony	
Transport	Norm	Lawns: Anthony



**Sunday 23rd August 2015**



**John 6:56-69**

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<b>Lectionary Readings</b>			
<b>23rd August</b>	<b>Pentecost 13</b>	<b>30th August</b>	<b>Pentecost 14</b>
1 Kings 8: 1,6,10-11, 22-30, 41-43		Song of Solomon 2:8-13	
Psalms 84		Psalms 45:1-2, 6-9	
Ephesians 6:10-20		James 1:17-27	
John 6:56-69		Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23	

## This Week

Sun 23rd	9.30am	Sunday School	Claremont
Mon 24th	10.30am 11.30am 11.00am	Worship at Strathglen Worship at Strathaven Pastoral Visitation Team	Rosetta Berriedale Glenorchy
Tues 25th	10.00am	Happening+Gp Craft & games	Glenorchy
Thurs 27th	10.30am	Fellowship group in private home	New Norfolk
Fri 28th	10.15am 3.20pm	Choir Practice Local Chaplaincy committee	Claremont Glenorchy

## Next Week

Sun 30th	9.30 am 3.45pm to 6.30pm	Sunday School Jesus and Pizza	Claremont Glenorchy
Mon 31st	10.30am 11.30am	Worship at Strathglen Worship at Strathaven	Rosetta Berriedale
Wed 2nd SEPT	9.30am	Prayer for chaplaincy	Glenorchy
Thurs 3rd SEPT	10.30am	Fellowship group in private home	New Norfolk
Fri 4th SEPT.	10.15am 10.30am	Choir Practice Worship at Derwent Waters	Claremont Claremont

**Assembly of Confessing Congregations (ACC) Southern Cluster**  
**THIS AFTERNOON 2 pm Wesley Uniting Church hall**

*Guest Speaker will be Mr Jim Collins - Family Voice.*  
*All are invited and welcome to join in this time of worship.*

### Please pray for:

- ♦ The lands and people of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania
- ♦ Teresa Gray for her time in Melbourne as she undergoes tests to learn more about her epilepsy
- ♦ Heather Cowled who will need to be in plaster until October. Pray for complete healing of her broken ankle.

The mural is progressing well, some painting has been completed by Glenorchy primary school and the mural is now at Cosgrove High where Mark Shannon will work with their students every Friday for the next five weeks.

### Cluster Service Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August at New Norfolk

Outline of the service was given out and request that each congregation takes a section of the service. The pattern is for each reading to be commented on. New Norfolk will begin the service, Claremont to take the middle section and Glenorchy the third section.

**Date of Next Meeting** Wed. 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015, 7pm at New Norfolk

## INVITATION to a remarkable and spiritual JOURNEY



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**\$2800 approximate cost all inclusive**

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NOTES from CLUSTER CHURCH COUNCIL meeting continued  
He is willing to take services for us once a month, so it makes it much easier for our preaching plan.  
The farm has been leased, so we now have some rent coming in which should help our bank balance.

#### From **Claremont Report**

There is not much to report from Claremont Elders or Finance and Property Committee as both meetings were not held due to the absence of members due to illness. The Elders are continuing to do their work of support.

It was reported that members are now in better health.

The Finance and Property Committee have received acknowledgement from Frontier Services of the donation towards the Midlands Patrol. We are actively seeking information on replacing light fittings with energy efficient ones. Otherwise our work is continuing to care for finances and property.

#### from **Glenorchy Report**

The Elders met over lunch on Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup> after the morning Service. With Rev. Jeff in the chair, after some sharing over lunch and opening prayers, we discussed the need for holding a worship service suited to children/young people. This will be discussed further at our next meeting.

A number of pastoral concerns were discussed, as well as noting that two new people have become regular attenders at our Sunday Services each week. It is good to note new people identifying with our Congregation.

It was noted that as some folk are unable to attend Sunday worship, some gatherings could be held in private homes at an alternative time. It was also noted that special events focusing on young people who are on the fringe need to be planned, with maybe extending this wider to other Congregations of the Cluster.

#### from **Glenorchy Property Report**

The downstairs rumpus in our Manse has damp issues and flooded in the recent heavy rain. We have two quotes to consider one being \$9392.00 and the other being \$14300.00.

This job involves hand excavating considerable dirt from behind the wall and installing agricultural drains to redirect the water into the stormwater system.

## SAFETY, JUSTICE AND DIGNITY FOR REFUGEES

### Dessert and Coffee Evening

#### Fundraiser for refugees

Scots Memorial Church Hall,  
(GA Wood Hall)  
29 Bathurst St, HOBART

7.30PM, Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Featuring: Music from *Thirsty Ground*

Speaker: Jeff Wild, from Act for Peace

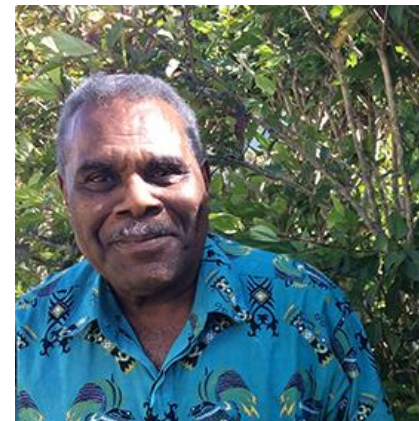
Entry by donation

RSVP: [jwild@actforpeace.org.au](mailto:jwild@actforpeace.org.au) or Lisa  
Desmond on [scot-memorial@bigpond.com](mailto:scot-memorial@bigpond.com)



Credit: Jenae Coumans Act for Peace

**ACT FOR PEACE**  
THINK DIFFERENT. LIVE BETTER. TRAVELER  
"WELL-TRAVELLED"



#### VANUATU RE-BUILDS

Pastor Allen Nafuki attended the Assembly and was delighted to speak directly to the gathered delegates to thank them for Uniting Church support of rebuilding efforts in his country. Schools and family homes have been reconstructed much faster than expected and much of this is due to the extremely generous support of UnitingWorld donors.

#### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - SAMARITAN'S PURSE

***It is almost time to fill Shoe Boxes with gifts for children in Southeast Asia and the South Pacific.***

***If you can donate something or would like to fill a box or two please speak to Elaine Clark, Claremont congregation, contact details in Cluster Directory.***

NOTES from CLUSTER CHURCH COUNCIL meeting  
held on Wednesday 19th August at Glenorchy

**Present:** Jill Davey (chairperson), Jacky Whitehead, Max Nicholls, Marilyn Goninon, Bob Humphries, Bev Geard, Eileen McKenzie, Stuart Lenthall, Rev Jeff Gray, Joanna Kelly, Ricky Beswick.

**Apologies:** Barrie Cooper, Anthony Le Fevre

Following Devotions led by Joanna Kelly, the meeting divided into 3 small groups to talk about being drawn by God or touched by God. The conversations enabled us to learn a little more about each other, about our individual experiences of being Christian.

**Correspondence-** a number of items of Inwards Correspondence were talked about and some of these will be sent to members who had not been aware of them.

They included:

- ♦ the Presbytery Church councils updated Booklet- a useful resource for each congregation
- ♦ Personal support training for Emergencies ministry which will occur in October. This training will prepare participants to support people after an emergency e.g. bushfire.
- ♦ Culture of safety information- Presbytery people to contact regarding Child Protection concerns or possible abuse of a vulnerable person. There is also a flow chart covering the necessary steps if child abuse is suspected or disclosed.
- ♦ Working with Vulnerable people checks - Presbytery recommends that all Church Council members undertake this check. Many Church council members have done this.

We also learnt that Rev Jeff Gray is the Presbytery liaison member of the Synod's Ecumenical Relations Committee. He will be attending the extended meeting of this group on Tuesday 8th September from 1- 5 pm in the Synod office in Melbourne. In preparation for this meeting he has been assembling information from all congregations in Tasmania about their ecumenical involvement.

Another responsibility for Jeff is that he is the new President of the Tasmanian Council of Churches.

**Combined Cluster Service** on Sunday 29th November will be focussing on Frontier Services with Rev Denis Cousens of the Midlands Patrol as speaker. This service will be at Claremont at 10am.

Jeff requested and was granted compassionate leave from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> until Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August to be with Teresa who needs to go to Melbourne for further tests in St Vincent's hospital.

Jeff and Teresa attended **Communitas** at Port Sorell Aug 14th-16th. Jeff spoke about the particular electives he and Teresa attended. The leaders were Cheryl Lawrie (Alternative Worship Expert), Jill Ruzbacky (Justice and International Mission), Rod Peppiatt & Michelle Cook.

Jeff attended the "**Day of Dreaming**" on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August along with Helen Geard, Gary Kelly and Ricky Beswick.

Open space model was used where people nominate topics they are interested in and participants choose a group to talk about that which is of particular interest to them. Jeff has a printout of the discussion. The follow up, **Moving into Action** will be on Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. at Oatlands. Intending participants need to register and have read the record of the first gathering.

Jeff had attended a Presbytery level meeting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August which received a report from Rev Dr Phillip Hughes who had conducted a Consultation with the Congregations of the NW and W coasts. He gave us Chapter 4 from this report to read and think about in preparation for our next meeting. It is entitled *Possibilities for the Future of the Churches*

**Treasurer's Report** - Everything is up to date and financial situation is ok. Also presented was a Financial Report for New Norfolk from January to July 15th 2015 provided by their Treasurer Bob Williams.

From **New Norfolk Report**

Since Owen Dobson has joined our congregation life has been a little easier.